

In the Claims:

Claims 1-12, 19 and 22-25 are cancelled herein; claims 16-17 are amended herein; and new claims 26 - 31 have been added as follows:

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1-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) A method for managing communications information according to claim ~~12~~27 wherein said method further comprises determining a time of occurrence and a duration time of each of said plurality of phone calls and wherein said records further comprise said time of occurrence and said duration time.

bl 17. (Currently Amended) A method for managing communications information according to claim ~~12~~27 wherein said step of displaying said records on said display comprises displaying each of said records as a row across said display, and dividing each record into a plurality of fields arranged in columns.

18. (Original) A method for managing communications information according to claim 17 wherein one of said plurality of columns comprises an origination identity field, one of said columns comprises a time of communications field, and one of said columns comprises a recorded message indicator field.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously Presented) A computer program product for causing a communications information management system to manage communications data, the program product comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied in the medium that when executed by a processor causes the management system to:

receive a plurality of incoming phone calls directly from the public switched telephone network ;

determine communications origination identity data for each of said plurality of phone calls using a processor;

B1 record a message for at least one of said plurality of phone calls with a recorder locally connected to said processor;

determine a time of occurrence and a duration time for each of said phone calls using said processor; *on m...s ?*

create a communications record for each of said plurality of communications using said processor, said record comprising said identity data for each of said plurality of phone calls, a time of occurrence for said phone calls, a duration time for said phone calls and an indication of the existence of a recorded message for said record;

display a plurality of said records on a visual display locally connected to said recorder and said processor, said visual display having a selector for selecting a particular record from any of said records regardless of record sequence;

generate a selection interrupt upon selection of said particular record; and,

respond to said selection interrupt by playing said recorded message corresponding to said particular record.

21-25. (Cancelled)

26. (New) A method for managing communications information comprising the steps of:

receiving a plurality of incoming phone calls directly from the public switched telephone network;

b1 determining phone call origination identity for each of said plurality of phone calls using a processor;

recording a message for at least one of said plurality of incoming phone calls with a recorder locally connected to said processor;

creating a communications record for each of said plurality of phone calls using said processor, each of said records comprising said phone call origination identity for one of said plurality of phone calls and an indication of the existence of a recorded message for said one phone call;

displaying a plurality of said records on a display, said display having a selector for selecting any of said records, said display locally connected to said recorder; and,

responding to selection of one of said records by playing said recorded message corresponding to said record from said recorder, said selection comprising a voice activation command.

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27. (New) A method for managing communications information comprising the steps of:

receiving a plurality of incoming phone calls directly from the public switched telephone network;

determining phone call origination identity for each of said plurality of phone calls using a processor;

recording a message for at least one of said plurality of incoming phone calls with a recorder locally connected to said processor;

creating a communications record for each of said plurality of phone calls using said processor, each of said records comprising said phone call origination identity for one of said plurality of phone calls and an indication of the existence of a recorded message for said one phone call;

displaying a plurality of said records on a display, said display having a selector for selecting any of said records, said display locally connected to said recorder, use of said selector causing a selection interrupt to be generated;

receiving said selection interrupt and querying said interrupt to determine if it is a selection interrupt; and,

playing said recorded message corresponding to a selected record from said recorder in response to said selection interrupt.

28. (New) A method for managing communications information comprising the steps of:

receiving a plurality of incoming phone calls directly from the public switched telephone network, at least some of said plurality of incoming phone calls include video data;

determining phone call origination identity for each of said plurality of phone calls using a processor;

recording a message for at least one of said plurality of incoming phone calls with a recorder locally connected to said processor, said message including video data from said at least one of said plurality of incoming phone calls;

creating a communications record for each of said plurality of phone calls using said processor, each of said records comprising said phone call origination identity for one of said plurality of phone calls and an indication of the existence of a recorded message for said one phone call;

displaying a plurality of said records on a display, said display having a selector for selecting any of said records, said display locally connected to said recorder; and,

responding to selection of one of said records by playing said recorded message corresponding to said record from said recorder.

29. (New) A method for managing communications information according to claim 26 wherein said method further comprises determining a time of occurrence and a duration time of each of said plurality of phone calls and wherein said records further comprise said time of occurrence and said duration time.

30. (New) A method for managing communications information according to claim 26 wherein said step of displaying said records on said display comprises displaying each of said records as a row across said display, and dividing each record into a plurality of fields arranged in columns.

31. (New) A method for managing communications information according to claim 30 wherein one of said plurality of columns comprises an origination identity field, one of said columns comprises a time of communications field, and one of said columns comprises a recorded message indicator field.